

## Delta Independent Science Board Educational Briefing Questionnaire

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Please provide short written responses to the following:

1. Program Title: California Sport Fish Advisory Program
2. Lead Agency/Department for Program: CALEPA/Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA)
3. Brief Description of Program: The Program evaluates potential public health risks from chemical contaminants in sport fish and issues fish consumption advisories. Contaminant data obtained from other agencies are used in these evaluations.
4. Purpose and Objectives of Program: The Program protects public health and safety by developing and disseminating fish advisories telling the public how often fish species can be safely consumed from California water bodies.
5. Timeline for Program Objectives: Continuous. Advisories are issued as evaluations and reports for specific water bodies are completed. Current advisories are published each spring in the California Department of Fish & Game ocean and freshwater regulation booklets.
6. Current Status of Program: On-going
7. Contact Information for Lead Staff of this Program:

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8. Associated Total Annual Budget for Program: About \$750,000
9. URL, if a Website is Available: <http://www.oehha.ca.gov/fish.html>
10. How does adaptive management play a role in your program? Although we do not manage directly our Program does adapt to changing environmental data and toxicology information. We revise our advisories when new data shows changes in chemical concentrations in fish. The Program bases evaluations on the best current toxicology information and studies. We evaluate new studies as they become available and change our threshold values and evaluations to reflect evolving information on human health risk and emerging contaminants.
11. Any additional information that would be helpful to understand the program: The Programs' advisories and advisory threshold values are used by other agencies (e.g., State Water Resources Control Board) to make water quality management decisions [e.g., 303(d) listing and Total Maximum Daily Load determinations] and to characterize water quality conditions. .

**Thank you very much for taking the time to respond to this questionnaire. Please return your completed questionnaire to Gina Ford ([gina.ford@deltacouncil.ca.gov](mailto:gina.ford@deltacouncil.ca.gov)) no later than October 6, 2011.**